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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

1:02 p.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Local Government was called to order by Chairman Lower.

Members present: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt the minutes of November 28, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt the minutes of December 5, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5752 before the committee:

HB 5752 (Lower) Environmental protection; sewage; onsite wastewater treatment systems; regulate, and provide for assessments and evaluations.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to HB 5752. The motion prevailed 7-3-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck.

Nays: Reps. Green, Moss, Ellison.

Pass: Rep. Cambensy.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but were unable to speak:

Lee Schwartz, representing Home Builders Association.

Larry Stephens, representing MOWRA.

Sean Hammand and Charlotte Jameson, both representing the Michigan Environmental Council, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but were unable to speak.

Brian Westrin, representing the Michigan Realtors Association, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

Tony Drautz, representing Oakland County.

Meghan Swain, representing Michigan Association for Local Public Health.
Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Township Association.

Representative Crawford moved to report out HB 5752 with recommendation, as substitute (H-3). The motion prevailed 7-3-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck.
Nays: Reps. Green, Moss, Ellison.
Pass: Rep. Cambensy.

The Chair laid SB 110 before the committee:

SB 110	(Schmidt)	Housing; affordable; incentives for affordable rental housing; allow local units of government to provide.
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Molly Medenblik, representing Senator Schmidt's office, testified in support of the legislation.

Lee Schwartz, representing the Home Builders Association, and Jen Regterink, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Scott Fausty, representing the Apartment Association of Michigan, submitted a card opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Kenneth Cole, representing the City of Detroit.
Brian Westrin, representing the Michigan Realtors Association.

Representative Crawford moved to report out SB 110 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 10-1-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.
Nays: Rep. Runestad.
Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 1188, SB 1189, SB 1190, SB 1191, SB 1192, SB 1193, and SB 1194 before the committee:

SB 1188	(Casperson)	Natural resources; other; local regulation of removal of trees or other vegetation; preempt in certain zoning classifications.
SB 1189	(Schmidt)	Villages; ordinances; general law village ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.
SB 1190	(Brandenburg)	Villages; ordinances; home rule villages ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.

SB 1191	(Hildenbrand)	Townships; ordinances; charter township ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.
SB 1192	(Booher)	Land use; zoning and growth management; zoning ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.
SB 1193	(Hansen)	Townships; ordinances; ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.
SB 1194	(Casperson)	Cities; ordinances; ordinances preventing the removal of trees; preempt.

Marty Fittante, representing Senator Casperson, and Mike Pattwell, representing numerous property owners, all testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Jeff Goulet, representing Canton Township, testified in opposition to the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Tom Ayers, representing himself, testified in support of the legislation.

Annie Kruse, representing the Arboriculture Society of Michigan, John Fournier, representing the City of Ann Arbor, testified in opposition to the bills.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bills, but were unable to speak due to time constraints:

Jen Rigerink, representing the Michigan Municipal League.
 Steve Alford, representing Landscape Supply, INC.
 Branden Dyer, representing himself.
 Mark Vanderpool, representing Sterling Heights.
 Sean Hammond, representing Michigan Environmental Council.
 Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bills, but were unable to speak due to time constraints:

Mark Wichide, representing himself.
 Leander Richmond, representing Eagle Express.
 Linda Lee Tarver, representing herself.

Brian Westrin and David Pierson, both representing the Michigan Realtors Association, and Lee Schwartz, representing the Home Builders Association, all submitted a card, supporting the concept, but due to time constraints were unable to speak.

Sarah Howes, Christe Alwin, Phil Argioff, all representing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, submitted a card wishing to speak, but were unable to due to time constraints.

Amy Upton, representing the Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association, submitted a card with a neutral position on SB 1188, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bills, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Kristy Pagan, representing the residents of Canton.
Andrea Brown, representing the Michigan Association of Planning.
Jen Flood, representing SEMCOG.
Mayor Bryan Barnett, representing the City of Rochester Hills.
Nicole Nystrom, representing Quicken Loans.
Kay Sichender, the Canton Township Contractor.
Mike Frederick, representing the City of Jackson.
Laura Haynes, representing the Conference of Western Wayne.
Bill Sanders, representing the American Society of Landscape Architects – Michigan Chapter.
Curtis Holt, representing the City of Wyoming.
Mike Berkanitz and Amanda Robert, both representing the Sierra Club.
Sam Boumis, representing Oakland County.
Rich Bowman, representing The Nature Conservancy.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Jenni Curtin, representing herself.
Vicki Fyke, representing herself.
Ray Snell, representing himself.
Shawn Steele, representing himself.
Mari Ann Henry, representing herself.
Jared Moynard, representing himself.
Sean Bertolino, representing himself.
David Yardley, representing himself.
Norm Hughes, representing Michigan Conservative Union.
Patrick Michel, representing himself.
Deb O'Hagan, representing herself.
Mary Helen Sears, representing herself.
Jason Geer, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.
Charles Owens, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.
Micah Babcock, representing the Small Business Association of Michigan.
Matt Smego, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau.
Andy Such, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Lower adjourned the meeting, the time being 1:49 p.m.

Representative Jim Lower, Chair_____

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